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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

The following items are things that have been running through my mind and which should be followed up during my absence. Copies of this memorandum are for Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Knoche.

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2. Release of Laos and SVN SIGINT Material. The USIB has addressed itself to this problem and voted against any release. [Redacted] prepared a brief paper for DCI dated 17 June (copy attached) which is well done and succinct. I do not know present status of USIB/DCI action but I feel strongly that a letter from DCI to Rusk, McNamara, and Bundy, along the lines of the [Redacted] draft, should accompany any notification of the USIB action to those people.

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3. [REDACTED] Contract. McMillan talked to DCI and said he wanted to make [REDACTED] systems manager for CORONA. The Director said it looked all right to him but this had originally been a Charyk decision not to do it this way and he wanted to know what Charyk's reasoning was. McMillan tells me he has been unable to find out what Charyk's reasoning was. McMillan has directed Program A and Program B Directors to make necessary changes in the contracts. While I personally see no objection to letting [REDACTED] be the systems manager, I am also fearful that if we do not conform to McMillan's request in this instance, we can well be accused of thwarting a forward proposal of his to help the CORONA program overcome its difficulties. Wheelon tells me that Greer is proceeding as of 1 July to take over complete management of CORONA to include writing of contracts. This thing is so confused that I do not know exactly where it stands now. Please see if you can find out.

*DCI said
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4. More U-2's. The DCI vetoed the idea of asking DOD for two more U-2's for modification. He preferred to go the route of purchasing more new ones. He presently has a paper recommending this action. The paper is very well done although it does not cover the source of funds. I have asked him to approve the paper as a requirement and let us then work on the funds. I would have difficulty justifying this purchase as a proper use of our Reserve fund -- on the other hand, I could very easily justify the Reserve for initiating the [REDACTED] projects since the latter two are new projects which could not have been foreseen. Please try to get a feel from the Director if you have an opportunity.

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5. Pawley vs. Random House. I turned over to Kirk my telephone notes of my talk with Pawley re this matter. Message [REDACTED] asks for action. Pawley is the type who doesn't wait around too long before he gets impatient and goes to other sources or does something himself. I think we have an opportunity here and hope we'll stay on top of it.

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7. NRO Agreement. Bross prepared a memorandum for SecDef on suggested changes in PFIAB proposed directive. I asked DCI to hold off on action until all of us had had a chance for inputs. Wheelon and [] have some very good ones. There may be others. In any event, I would hope that we could have a clambake on this before a memorandum goes back to McNamara.

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Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy Director

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